

The HF radio spectrum is a valuable resource--for an incredible assortment of communication-dependent groups & organizations. Amateur radio is but one small part of that grouping. Yet, it often represents the last, or grass-roots level of response to disasters & emergencies. Its spectrum MUST be protected. Indeed, the FCC has long pledged to do so. The proposed BPL technology (as well as existing Part 15 emissions, which is another matter) will, in my opinion, significantly damage the security of that spectrum, along with that of our nation as a whole. Reliable, clear communications are necessary 24/7, all across the country. Having BPL systems that radiate on wide areas of the RF spectrum isn't a good idea. I respectfully submit we protect that portion of the spectrum--not ruin it with this proposal.